



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Mt. Pisgah Elementary School
Kershaw County
Grades: K-5 **Enrollment: 120**
Principal: David Branham Jr.
Superintendent: Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.
Board Chair: Mara H. Jones

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	B	Reward
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	A	Reward
2011	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

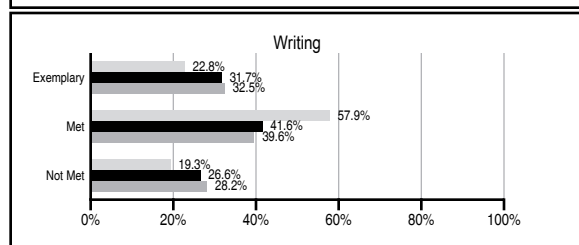
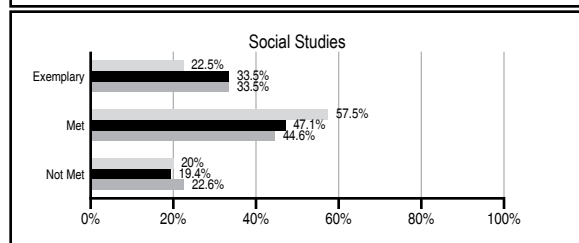
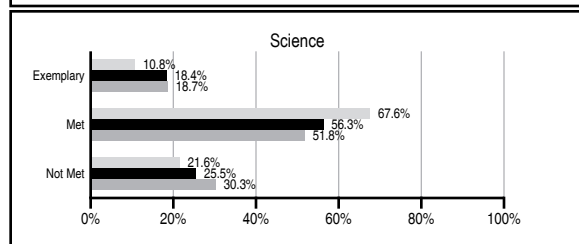
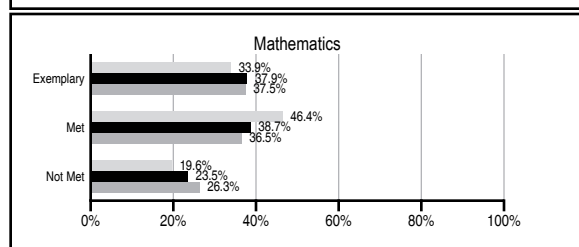
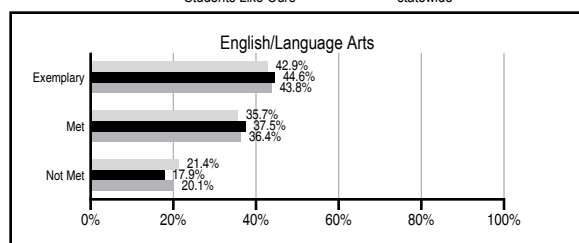
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
21	46	52	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

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Mt. Pisgah Elementary School [Kershaw County]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=120)				
Retention rate	1.7%	Up from 1.6%	1.3%	0.9%
Attendance rate	95.4%	Down from 95.7%	96.2%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	5.0%	N/A	8.2%	7.2%
With disabilities	10.7%	N/A	13.7%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	4.1%	N/A	2.2%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=10)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	85.7%	Down from 100.0%	62.2%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	85.7%	Down from 100.0%	85.7%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	77.7%	Up from 75.8%	89.2%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.0%	95.0%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$54,426	Down 5.6%	\$48,696	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	6.1 days	Down from 10.3 days	11.1 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Up from 0.0	4.5	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.0 to 1	Down from 20.8 to 1	20.2 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.5%	Up from 89.5%	89.9%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.5%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,531	Down 8.4%	\$7,097	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.0%	Up from 63.1%	68.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	64.0%	Up from 62.1%	66.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	86.9	Down from 92.0	88.2	88.0

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	9	19	15
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100%	100%	100%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	94.7%	93.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	100%	93.8%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

At Mt. Pisgah Elementary, we “Expect the Best and Accept Nothing Less” from our students and staff. The mission of Mt. Pisgah Elementary School, with its strong family and community support, is to meet the needs of each individual student by providing a positive, challenging, and safe environment that facilitates success, promotes lifelong learning, and develops responsible citizens. All of our stakeholders at Mt. Pisgah Elementary are focused on this mission.

Our 2012-2013 year had many successes for our school. In 2012 Mt. Pisgah Elementary received an “A” on the Federal Accountability Report. This means that Mt. Pisgah’s academic performance substantially exceeded the state’s expectations. Mt. Pisgah Elementary has met Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) for the last nine years. Mt. Pisgah was named a Title I Reward School of Performance in 2012. We received an Absolute Rating of Average as well a Growth Rating of Average on our SC Report Card.

The Accelerated Reading (AR) program continues to be successful with our students’ test average above 88% correct. Over 80% of our students have met their individualized AR goals. Our school library circulated over 19,000 books this school year. We continue to use SuccessMaker and A+ computer software in the computer lab to provide students with the opportunity to focus on academic areas that need improvement. Reading – Tutors A to Z is used to provide small group reading focus time to our struggling readers at each grade level.

The professional development for our staff focused on Common Core State Standards and Literacy across all grade levels. Teachers focused on using data from STAR and MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) to individualize instruction. Technology is integrated into the classroom through the use of laptops, interactive whiteboards and document cameras. Our computer lab is being fully refurbished with new desktops and headphones.

Our PTO, SIC, and community are a vital part of the success of our school. Several events such as our Fall Festival and Christmas Program were successful due to the hard work of PTO and parent volunteers. Our community volunteers were integral in helping with our AR and PBIS celebrations this year. Mt. Pisgah students participated in several community service projects such as raising money for the Kershaw County American Red Cross and Relay for Life and collecting canned food items for K.A.R.E.

As we head into the 2013-14 school year, we plan to remain focused on Literacy and individualized student instruction. We will continue to create a safe and nurturing environment for all of our students. The faculty and staff at Mt. Pisgah are dedicated to preparing our students for academic and personal success.

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Jana Vincent, School Improvement Council Chair

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